

Medical Assistants (31-9092)

Occupation description: Perform administrative and certain clinical duties under the direction of a physician. Administrative duties may include scheduling appointments, maintaining medical records, billing, and coding information for insurance purposes. Clinical duties may include taking and recording vital signs and medical histories, preparing patients for examination, drawing blood, and administering medications as directed by physician. Excludes Physician Assistants (29-1071).

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2014 estimate	2024 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	1,285	1,535	19.5	25	29	54
United States	591,300	730,200	23.5	13,890	12,330	26,210

Job outlook

Alaska: Alaska's employment growth is strong with very high employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

2017 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	16.15	11.46	13.26	15.61	18.43	22.07
Alaska	20.22	15.37	17.13	19.84	23.04	26.08
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	19.92	14.80	16.98	19.93	23.11	26.30
Fairbanks North Star Borough	21.45	16.81	18.93	21.30	23.60	25.24
Southeast Region	20.52	15.64	17.97	20.56	22.93	24.79
Balance of State	20.77	15.90	17.02	18.89	22.47	26.11

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
1,875	165	8.8	17.9	12.3

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	380
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	67
UI claimants previously working in occupation	167

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	1,132
Number of job position postings	201

Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

Education: Postsecondary non-degree award

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: None

Training Resources

Degree

ABC of Alaska (Anchorage)

Bloodborne Pathogens

Degree

Alaska Career College (Anchorage)

Insurance Coding and Billing

Certificate

Medical Assistant

Certificate

Degree

Alaska Med Code (Anchorage)

Professional Medical Coder, Anchorage

Professional Medical Coder, MatSu Valley

Degree

Amundsen Educational Center (Soldotna)

Professional Medical Coding

Degree

AVTEC (Seward)

Business & Office Technology Medical Administrative Assistant

Degree

Beacon Occupational Health and Safety Services (Anchorage)

Bloodborne Pathogens

Degree

Charter College, Anchorage (Anchorage)

Medical Assistant

Certificate

Medical Office Administration: Concentration in Medical Assistant

Certificate

Degree

Charter College, Wasilla (Wasilla)

Medical Assistant

Certificate

	Degree
Galena Interior Learning Academy (Galena)	
Health Science	

	Degree
Iisagvik College (Barrow)	
Medical Coding Specialist	Certificate
Medical Office Administration	AAS
Medical Office Administration I	Certificate
Medical Office Administration II	Certificate

	Degree
Multimed (Anchorage)	
American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI) Blood Borne Pathogens	

	Degree
North Star Computing (Fairbanks)	
Medical Office Practice	
Step-by-Step Medical Coding	

	Degree
Partners for Progress in Delta, Inc (Delta Junction)	
Medical Terminology	

	Degree
TSS - The Safety Specialists (Ketchikan)	
Bloodborne Pathogens	

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Clinical Assistant	OEC
Medical Assisting	AAS
Medical Office Coding	OEC
Medical Office Support	OEC

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Kenai (Soldotna)	
Medical Office Support	OEC

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Kodiak (Kodiak)	

Medical Office Support	OEC
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University of Alaska Anchorage, Mat-Su (Palmer)

Medical Office Support	OEC
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Degree

University of Alaska Fairbanks, CTC (Fairbanks)

Medical Assistant	AAS
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Medical Assistant	CT2
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Medical Coding	OEC
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Medical Office Reception	OEC
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Medical/Dental Reception	CT2
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Degree

University of Alaska Southeast, Sitka (Sitka)

Medical Assisting	CT2
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Degree

Vocational Training and Resource Center (Juneau)

Medical Administrative Assistant	
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Medical Coding and Billing	
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